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## Republicans Join Poll-Tax Group Against FEPC

By Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Republicans in Congress are ganging up with die-hard poll taxers from the south in a double-barreled drive against the President's Fair Employment Practice Committee.

On the Senate side of Capitol Hill, Republicans led by Senator Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota, supported in an appropriations subcommittee the amendment offered by Senator Richard Russell of Georgia to kill FEPC.

On the House side, Republican Congressmen are actively cooperating with the smear investigation of FEPC being conducted by Rep. Howard Smith of Virginia.

This clear-cut record is expected to have important political reverberations among the Negro people despite Republican claims to increased Negro support in New York and other parts of the country.

### GOP GANGS UP

Several weeks ago the three Republican members of the Smith committee, Reps. Fred A. Hartley of New Jersey, John Jennings of Tennessee and Clare Hoffman of Michigan, signed a Smith committee report challenging the authority of FEPC.

And Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi who had previously been opposing the compromise bill changed his mind and decided to support it. Apparently he realized that it is now so cumbersome and workable that it will permit very few servicemen to vote.

This shift by the two men who have led the opposing sides in the congressional soldier vote has symbolized the change that has taken place in the whole situation.

Senator Green pointed out that the Green-Lucas bill was whittled down by the Senate before final passage. "Then it was whittled down in conference every time a little more," Green said. "The total result is a worse bill than the present law."

Green said that he actually believes more servicemen will be able to vote under the existing law than under the new compromise bill. He emphasized that he still feels strongly that a federal law is needed to implement soldier voting, but that the bill approved by the conference this afternoon doesn't do the job.

Green was joined by Senator Carl Hatch of New Mexico in voting against the compromise which was supported by Senators Tom Connally of Texas, Hugh Butler of Nebraska and Warren Austin of Vermont.

All five House conferees, Reps. Eugene Worley, John Rankin, Herbert Bonner, Harris Ellsworth and Karl Le Compte, supported the new measure.

Both Green and Hatch had made every effort to reach a workable compromise, but they feel that the final bill which came out of the conference cannot be supported.

### WHITTLED DOWN AGAIN

Actually federal ballot supporters were outmaneuvered in compromise. They still expect to fight and hope for a Presidential veto, but the situation does not look too good at the moment. Many wavering congressmen are expected to support the conference report on the ground that it is the best possible which can be passed.

One final change whittling down the measure was made today. The provision for a federal ballot commission to supervise soldier voting was changed so that members of the commission will be the secretaries of War and Navy and the chairman of the Maritime Commission. This means that there will be no new machinery to handle soldier voting.

Earlier a severely restricted federal ballot was applied only to servicemen overseas and even then

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### Negro Wins Civil Rights Law Case

ALBANY, March 2 (UP).—The Court of Appeals ruled today in favor of a Yonkers Negro woman who sought to recover damages under the Civil Rights Law from the Mount Vernon Arena, Inc., which had refused her daughter admittance.

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## AFL Publicity Chief Yearns For Garner, Attacks Wallace

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Philip Pearl, the AFL Publicity Director who last week hailed the Dies smear of the CIO Political Action Committee, today virtually came out for John Nance Garner for Vice President.

At least, Pearl, who writes a weekly column for the AFL's weekly News Service, compared Vice President Henry Wallace unfavorably with former Vice President Garner who was ditched by the President in 1940 after his eight-year record of knifing the New Deal measures.

Pearl said that he was speaking personally and not expressing offi-

### Take Initiative On Beachhead as Enemy Push Fails

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NAPLES, March 2 (UP).—Stopping the third enemy "big push" against the Rome beachhead, American troops today wrested the initiative from 45,000 Germans and with the support of hedge-hopping Flying Fortresses and Liberators rolled the Nazis back yard by yard in a bloody, hand-to-hand battle through a morass of mud.

At last reports, Lieut. Gen. Mark W. Clark's doughboys had made up more than two-thirds of a 1,500-yard dent in the center of the beachhead line between Cisterna and Carrozzo and still were moving forward in heavy fighting after taking more than 500 prisoners.

The Germans had attacked Tuesday morning with their infantry riding into battle aboard huge "Tiger" tanks and shouting "Heil Hitler!" Strong but ineffective diversionary assaults were launched all around the beachhead perimeter, particularly in the American-defended eastern sector.

The initial momentum of the surge, powered by three of Gen. Eberhard von Mackensen's best divisions, carried the Germans nearly a mile through the American mine fields before they were stemmed.

Then crack-shot American riflemen began picking Germans off the tanks like squirrels and a crashing concentration of fire from American 75, 105 and 155-millimeter guns and British 17 and 25-pounders threw death, destruction and confusion into the enemy ranks.

The Germans broke and fell back, and to add to their difficulties violent wind and rainstorms began sweeping the battlefield yesterday.

For the first time in the beachhead fighting, the unfavorable weather proved a boon to the Allies as the Americans, catching the Germans with their attack formations strung out through mud, were able to infiltrate the enemy spearhead in tight, combat groups and isolate large batches of Nazis.

A special communiqué from the Air Command said that four-fifths of B-17s and B-24s were over the beachhead in force, "violently" bombing German troop concentrations at the perimeter of the beachhead and supply and transport columns just to the rear. RAF Wellingtons had inaugurated the heavy tactical support before dawn with attacks on German forces from the beachhead perimeter to within 10 miles of Rome.

In an opinion which accompanied the decision, the court stated that "suffice it to say that there can be no question of the fact that the infant plaintiff was refused admission because of her color."

The appeal to the high court was brought by Hilda S. Proctor in behalf of her daughter, Hilda B. Proctor, who at the time of the incident, Oct. 11, 1941, was just under 16. The trial resulted in a verdict in her favor, but the Appellate Division reversed the decision.

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## Nazi Radio-Tanks Prove a Fizzle

**By a Veteran Commander**

THE Germans have used new radio-controlled tanks in their third attack on the Anzio beachhead. These tanks are stuffed with explosives and are supposed to blow up in the enemy positions. However, Allied artillery blasted them out of existence before they had a chance to leave the German positions. The invention itself cannot be described as very hot because the successful driving of a tank must be based on extremely quick human reactions which are the result of observation at close quarters. No such reactions are possible at the remote controls of a radio-tank. A good gunner will always be able to cope with such a contraption.

**On the War Fronts**

ELEMENTS of the First Cavalry Division who had landed (disguised of course) on Los Negros in the Admiralty Islands, have retained control of the important airfield and have weathered a strong Japanese counterattack. There is something, however, that surprises us in this operation, and it is the use of dismounted cavalry for a beach landing. It is a well known fact that we have only too few cavalry formations in our army. There is reason to believe that there is but one cavalry division overseas. We see that in Italy and in other places makeshift "cavalry" units and detachments had to be formed with local means—strange looking horses, mules and other domestic animals. But here we see a first class cavalry formation being dismounted and sent into an amphibious expedition.

True, cavalry must fight dismounted at times; but when horses remain in Australia and troopers fight in the Admiralty Islands, cavalry is not cavalry any more. The only conceivable reason for such a waste is the desire to take advantage of the high morale permeating every cavalry unit, even when it is dismounted, and their ability even to "show the Marines."

TROOPS on the right flank of General Govorov's army group have cracked the German defenses on the Narva River, between Narva and Lake Peipus and have broken through to the railroad west of Narva. Thus the big German-held fortress is virtually isolated and the march on Tallinn has begun. This is actually the famous German "Baltic march" in reverse.

South of Pskov Soviet troops have cut the Pskov-Poitok railroad in several places and are within a few miles of the Pskov-Dvinsk railroad. Soviet tommygunners are reported (unofficially) in the suburbs of Pskov.

Soviet troops have crossed the Luches River south of Vitebsk and this means that the Vitebsk-Ossetia railroad has either been cut or is under direct artillery fire.

Thus three major German-held strongholds are under direct attack. The duration of the struggle for them and the behavior of their garrisons will afford a good estimate of the condition German troops are in. There is little doubt that Hitler conducted a campaign of terror on the northern front after the fall of Dno and Luga and it will be interesting to see the results of that terror (court-martial of general officers, some reported executions, etc.). In any case the moment is crucial because on the fate of Narva, Pskov and Vitebsk depends the entire German position north of the German Baltic and North Sea coastline.

## Is It True Army Doesn't Know What War Means?

If you have a son, a husband, a sweetheart in the armed forces, you have undoubtedly heard about a problem that came out in yesterday's Times. No, we don't mean the soldier vote, although that's a problem in itself. We mean the state of morale in our armed forces, or what a letter to yesterday's Times called "the general want of conviction" in the American army.

The letter appears in Hanson Baldwin's column. It comes from a corporal, who hasn't yet seen service, but who has been observing his fellow-soldiers. He writes that he's met too many soldiers who are simply "bucking" for extra stripes and stars, too many who don't know what the fighting's all about, and he blames the basic training and orientation courses.

When the soldier gets into the army, says the corporal, he's either given boastful stuff about our army and our cause, or else he gets the kind of thing he soon labels "Propaganda." The corporal agrees with Rabbi Barnett Brickner, who said in London recently that "our men are very muddled on the whole—muddled as to whom they are fighting against and even less clear on what they are fighting for."

### SHOW UNDERSTANDING

First of all, it strikes us that the letter to Baldwin probably exaggerates considerably. This subject is an area where exaggeration can not only be very unfair to our soldiers, but actually dangerous. It can play into the hands of the defeatists and reactionaries. For they are only too quick to say that nobody knows what the war is all about and therefore let's not fight it.

Actually, there are millions of our servicemen who DO know what the war's about. DO know it's a life and death struggle and why. Our Army newspapers, like Yank, and like Stars and Stripes have been running many excellent articles on political angles of the war, on the rise of the Yugoslav partisans, on the Red Army, all of which reveal understanding of the war and contribute to that understanding.

A week ago Thursday the Daily Worker published front page an excerpt from the Stars and Stripes hailing the no-strike record of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO. That showed understanding somewhere.

### CASE OF SPAIN VET

But it is true, as servicemen will tell you, that the army orientation courses, and the films with exceptions, like "Battle of Russia," refrain from instilling information and understanding, which alone gives conviction. And very often the scariest and most dangerous ideas get around about labor at home, about the Soviet Union, about the nature of our enemy.

One trouble is the false conception of what "propaganda" means. Another is the notion that men don't have to know what it's all about; all they have to know is how to handle weapons. Maybe the Red Army, or even the British army (who certainly know how to handle weapons) can teach us a thing or two about that.

What breaks the heart of any progressive, however, when he reads a letter like the corporal's to here.

## Latin America Labor Bares AFL Intrigue

**By Rodolfo Ghioldi**

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MONTEVideo, March 2.—Reactionary leaders of the American Federation of Labor have consulted several Latin American governments on the possibility of setting up an AFL-sponsored rival to the Confederation of Latin American Workers, its president, Lombardo Toledano, declared here Tuesday in his main report to the CTAL meeting.

Outlining the achievements and problems of the Confederation, at an emergency session of its executive, which opened here Monday, Lombardo struck out at intrigues by the AFL leaders, who, he said, were tied to reactionary anti-war forces.

These intrigues, said Lombardo included a resurrection of the now defunct Pan American Federation of Labor which operated briefly under AFL auspices in the 1920's.

The fighting Mexican leader of the CTAL charged that in these maneuvers, North American labor leaders had sought to "make love" to the head of the Chilean Confederation of Labor, Bernardo Ibanez.

This provoked a dramatic exchange at the CTAL session, in which Ibanez, who is present here, and whose organization is a member of the CTAL, declared that while on a trip to the United States recently, he had "rejected all suggestions against the CTAL and against Lombardo."

Ibanez, invited to the United States last Fall by the CIO and the AFL had attended the Miami session of the AFL executive council, and caused widespread speculation that he was lending himself to a move designed to break up the Confederation of Latin American Workers.

The Chilean labor leader asserted that "nobody in Chile would lend themselves to such a maneuver, much less myself."

In this same address, Lombardo charged that reactionary AFL leaders had motivated the convening of an International Labor Office meeting

## Vargas Invites Lombardo to Talk

(Daily Worker Foreign Department)

Lombardo Toledano, President of the Confederation of Latin American Workers, created a sensation in Montevideo on

Tuesday when he told an emergency session of the CTAL executive that President Getulio Vargas of Brazil had invited him to come to Rio de Janeiro.

According to our correspondent, Lombardo had stopped off at Rio on the way down to the Montevideo meeting. It is not yet known whether he saw Vargas at the time. But it is known that the Latin

in Philadelphia this coming April in order to discredit the World Labor Conference called by the British Trades Union Congress in London this June.

The AFL leaders refused to attend that conference allegedly because the Soviet labor unions were invited. The Soviet Union on the other hand, has not officially been invited to attend the ILO meeting, which opens on April 20 in Temple University, Philadelphia.

Lombardo protested the absence of the Soviet unions and criticized the invitation to Finland. He declared his solidarity with the American CIO's attitude toward the World Labor Conference in London, and said that representatives of the Latin American labor movements would come to the

American labor leader's presence in Brazil quickly became known throughout that country, and made an immense impression.

Brazil, though at war with Germany, still lives under a dictatorship as far as trade union freedom is concerned, constitutional government, and civil liberties. For instance, the great Brazilian leader, Luis Carlos Prestes, is still imprisoned.

On the other hand, the foreign minister, Oswaldo Aranha, recently expressed his willingness to establish diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union. Lombardo's visit therefore is fraught with possibilities of accelerating important democratic changes in Brazil.

Philadelphia ILO meeting to help shatter reactionary AFL intrigues.

Ibanez, the Chilean, agreed with Lombardo that the Philadelphia ILO meeting ought to serve as a "springboard" for attendance at the London conference, instead of being used against the latter.

In discussing the London conference, Lombardo stressed its importance for Latin American workers and declared that a program on Latin America's place in the war and post-war period would be presented there.

Speakers from other delegations, among whom there are labor figures from every Latin American country agreed with Lombardo along the following lines:

## Soviet Captives in Reich Defy Nazis, Hail Leningrad Victory

(By Wires to Inter-Continent News)

GENEVA, March 2 (UPI)—Acting Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., today warned Congress against weakening the lend-lease program at a time when "the great battles of Western Europe and Asia have yet to be fought."

Stettinius, former lend-lease director, told the House Foreign Affairs Committee which is considering a resolution to extend the lend-lease act one year beyond its June 30 expiration date, that the program is needed "to fight this war to victory in closest concert with our allies."

"I should like to emphasize," he said, "what seems to me to be the first principle guiding all our thought and action: the war is not over—not even almost over. Lend-lease is a powerful weapon which we must maintain and strengthen, in this war of 33 United Nations against aggression. The great battles of Western Europe and of Asia have yet to be fought."

Any change in the lend-lease and reverse Lend-Lease program, he said, "would disturb the far-flung system on whose smooth and continuous functioning we depend for victory."

He said three years of its use on battle fronts all over the world have proved Lend-Lease "to be a good weapon" and has enabled the United Nations to pool their resources so they can "strike the hardest possible blow against."

Increasingly frequent demonstra-

tions are reported in the newspaper article, particularly among the Soviet workers. Some 50,000 Soviet citizens have escaped from German labor camps.

There unquestionably exists an underground organization for aid to fugitives, which the Gestapo did not succeed in discovering, declared the newspaper story.

At one big war factory, for example, whenever the shifts were changed, 50 Soviet workers were suddenly missing. It was later discovered that some of them had entered the main factory gates and left by way of the exit, together with the workers who had finished their shift.

In general, the author notes, the foreign workers in Germany cause much trouble to the Germans, who are often compelled to call for police intervention.

**SABOTAGE GROWS**

Sabotage has lately acquired sharp forms. Foreign workers pretend that they do not understand a word of German and the supervisors are helpless to prove otherwise.

On this pretext, groups of enslaved workers drilled holes ten millimeters bigger than instructed.

Frequently, the finished and inspected parts are damaged behind the back of the German inspectors.

Many workers were shot for sabotage.

Some highly skilled foreign workers took the side of a Spanish worker."

## Isaacs, Davis to Talk on East Side

City Councilmen Stanley Isaacs and Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., will address an East Side rally against anti-Semitism at the headquarters of the American Labor Party Club of the Sixth Assembly District, 93 Ave. B, on Wednesday, March 8, at 8:30 P. M.

Other speakers will include Murray Lipkin, Commander of Post No. 4 of the Jewish War Veterans; Jack Goldman, President of the Manhattan District of the International Workers Order; Sylvia Martinique, Executive Secretary of the Lower Manhattan CIO Community Council, and Eugene Connolly, Secretary of the New York County American Labor Party.



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# Negroes Press Fight on Boilermaker Ban

The Race Is On



Competition for the Communist Party's recruiting drive is now on! Communist Councilman Peter V. Cacchione of Brooklyn challenges Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Communist Councilman from Manhattan, in a race to recruit new members. G.H. Green, secretary of the New York State Communist Party, points to a official letter of challenge.

## East Side Out to Crack Anti-Semitism

The ugly paw of anti-Semitism is shoving itself on Manhattan's lower East Side, crowded Jewish community.

A young Jewish child was accosted on Pitt St. and called "dirty Jew" by hoodlums who robbed him of clothing.

Swastikas have been painted on store windows. American Labor Party headquarters have been smeared.

These facts were revealed at a recent East Side meeting at which 20 community organizations participated. The group set up a committee which met last night to promote racial unity among East Siders and start an educational program on the meaning of Americanism.

A broad mass meeting was planned which will involve church, synagogue, settlement house and school representatives.

Congressman Arthur G. Klein, who greeted the meeting said that "anti-Semitism starts with Jews and winds up attacking all minority groups."

Congressman Louis J. Capozzoli, who has lived in the neighborhood all his life, expressed the hope that "despicable acts of anti-Semitism were not of a national pattern or the act of an organized group but rather the acts of irresponsible kids."

A telegram received from Stephen J. Jarema said: "Let us not lose the war on the home front by permitting racial and religious discrimination. As Americans we can join the second army at home to prevent pitting of Negro against white, Protestant against Catholic or Jew," to prevent labor-baiting and red-baiting, by amalgamating all our forces for their cultural and historical contribution to the growth of America so that whether foreign-born or native all realize the American way is the only way."

Sidney Goldstein, secretary of the Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism, declared that the Nazis were depending on disruptive outbreaks among the American people to determine the war's outcome.

Murray Lipkin, of the Jewish War Veterans, and Albert L. Harris, executive director of the Jewish Settlement House of the East Side acted as co-chairmen.

Capital to The Worker

## Delegation Goes To Membership On Equality Plea

OAKLAND, CAL., March 2.—Close

on the heels of the recent court ruling hitting at Jim Crow auxiliaries of the Boilermakers Union, a large delegation of Negro members of the union toured Bay Area locals to request direct membership in them.

Among the locals visited, according to Ray Thompson, chairman of the Oakland Shipyard Workers Committee Against Discrimination, are Local 9, 39, 512 and 881. Also visited were officials of auxiliaries A-33, 3-38 and A-26, with whom the problem was discussed.

At each local the delegation received the stock answer, officials claiming that they have no authority to accept auxiliary members into the regular locals and that it was "all in the hands of the International."

At Welders and Burners Local 881, the Negro delegation received the suggestion from James Davidson, executive board member, to agree to still another Jim Crow local of welders, so they would not pay dues to an auxiliary of a different local.

But the delegation served notice to each local that the Negroes would not pay dues to auxiliaries and would continue the fight for regular membership without discrimination of any sort.

"We request that all Negroes follow this policy," said Thompson.

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## Hollander Blasts Rose Disruption

Louis Hollander, State CIO president, last night blasted Alex Rose and Rose's associates in the present state American Labor Party leadership as "politically dishonest and morally irresponsible."

Officially at ceremonies installing Joseph Curran, president and other newly-elected officers of the Greater New York CIO at Fraternal Clubhouse, Hollander called upon Rose to resign as ALP state secretary so that a united party could mobilize its maximum support to insure President Roosevelt's re-election.

Rose deliberately tried to introduce discord into the CIO Political Action Committee which in New York functions through the ALP, united on the basis of a plan proposed by Sidney Hillman, Hollander said.

### BLASTS ROSE SMEAR

He castigated Rose's attempts to put a "Communist smear" on the Committee for a United Labor Party which seeks to unify the ALP and especially about his cooperation with Martin Dies and his would-be probe of CIO political action.

Hollander tackled Rose's charge that the Hulman plan is "Communist" because Rep. Vito Marcantonio, Eugene P. Connolly, Mr. Curran, Michael Quill and Saul Mills and other progressives are among its supporters.

Those who know the facts will readily see the irresponsibility of Rose's statement because Mr. Marcantonio and Mr. Connolly have headed the official New York County organization of the ALP for the last four or five years," he said.

"They were elected to that post under the election laws by the membership of the New York County ALP under the very stewardship of Mr. Alex Rose."

Hollander added that Rose sought Marcantonio and Connolly support himself in several cases, particularly in judicial nominations and elections in New York and Bronx County.

The State CIO president also dealt with Congressional saboteurs of the war progress, the anti-Roosevelt movement in the Democratic Party, led by Harry A. Woodring and John L. Lewis.

He described the recent Congressional revolt over the President's tax veto as an act that "surely brightened the hearts of the Axis."

The Woodring committee, suggested by Hollander as a more fit subject for Dies Committee investigation than CIO political action, is headed in New York by William J. Goodwin, a Queens Christian

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## CIO Office Union Wins Curtiss Pact

(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)  
BOSTON, March 2.—The Curtiss-Wright Corp. has signed a contract providing wage increases and other benefits with the CIO United Office and Professional Workers, covering 5,000 white collar employees.

He concluded with a brief reference to Mrs. recent anti-Communist blast. This he describes as "typical John L. Lewis hypocrisy."

## Mexico Gets Ten Million U. S. Credit

WASHINGTON, March 2 (UPI)—The United States, through the Export-Import Bank, today extended a \$10,000,000 credit to Mexico for the purchase in the United States of equipment and supplies required in the construction of a 10,000-barrel gasoline refinery at Atzacapato, near Mexico City.

The agreement was signed by Warren Lee Pierson, president of the Export-Import Bank; Mexican Ambassador Francisco Castillo Nájera; Efrain Buenrostro, general manager of Petróleos Mexicanos, which will take title to the refinery when it is built, and Antonio Carrillo Flores, a director of the National Financiera, a bank controlled by the Mexican government. It will act as fiscal and paying agent for Mexico in connection with obligations issued by Mexico.

Also present when the agreement was signed were Ralph K. Davies, Deputy Petroleum Administrator for War; Philip Bonsal and Joseph McGurk, of the State Department, and Salvador Duhart, first secretary of the Mexican embassy.

The agreement contains an option available to any United States government department or agency to purchase certain quantities of high octane gasoline and other petroleum products from time to time prior to Aug. 1, 1950.

Meanwhile, Secretary of Interior Harold I. Ickes said at a press conference that he did not know anything about recent newspaper reports that a pipeline was being proposed to carry oil from Texas across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec to Mexican ports to supply petroleum for the Pacific war.

The measure will probably hit the Senate floor next week.

## GOP Touch Mars Compensation Report

### 14-Month Moreland Probe Made Public

By Dorothy Loeb

Results of a 14-month probe of New York State Workmen's Compensation, made by Moreland Act Commissioners William F. Blackley and Herman Stichman, were made public yesterday.

The commissioners, assigned to the investigation by ex-Gov. Herbert H. Lehman at the request of Mayor La Guardia and re-appointed by Gov. Dewey, tell a sordid story of abuses that victimized thousands of workers injured in industry and millions of dollars in insurance funds appropriated through kickbacks and other rackets.

Legislative remedies are proposed on the basis of which 20 bills will be put before the legislature next week.

Their 60-page detailed report is marked, however, by two weaknesses:

### GOP PARTISANSHIP

It content is marred by an obvious attempt to make political capital of Workmen's Compensation abuses. Former Justice Blackley, a leading Republican, one-time candidate for Governor, influential Westchester leader, and Commissioner Stichman, his appointee, permit partisanship to shine through.

Such partisanship could only account for the apparent boner, for example, in dealing with Jerome T. Farwell, Department of Labor investigator.

The report seeks to show that Farrell, lax in investigations, owed appointment to Tammany Hall's Bert Standell. However, the report shows

Farrell served as investigator in 1936 and the Standell letter, addressed to him, makes an oath that he did not receive the state ballot by Oct. 1.

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## Sen. Green Flays Vote 'Compromise'

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only if these conditions were met:

That the governor of the state approved the federal law by Aug. 1.

That the serviceman voted for a state ballot by Sept. 1.

That he make an oath that he did not receive the state ballot by Oct. 1.

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## Board Set Up For U. S. Aid to Italian People

American assistance to the Italian people has been placed under the supervision of a Temporary Board of Trustees nominated by Joseph E. Davies, chairman of the President's War Relief Control Board.

The members of the Board are: Myron Taylor as chairman; Arturo Toscanini; Dr. Angelo Petrilli, well-known educator; Don Amache, film artist, and Major General John H. Hilldring, Chief of the Civil Affairs Division in the U. S. Army.

The trustees have been authorized to employ the necessary personnel and set up an office, to be located temporarily at 37 William St., New York.

They are authorized to reach agreements with the National War Fund for the sending of money to Italy and for "private assistance" activities.

Emphasizing the fact that the nomination of temporary trustees should lead to the formation of a national organization, Davies declared:

"To hell with Babe Ruth!"

"The charge was scored as an error. Thirty Japanese were struck out for good."

**Yanks Hit 'Homers' Against Japanese**

WASHINGTON, March 2 (UPI)—Staff Sgt. Jeremiah A. O'Leary, Marine Corps combat correspondent, reported from Cape Gloucester, New Britain:

"Japanese, evidently eager to display their English vocabulary, charged Marine lines here shouting the battle cry:

"To hell with Babe Ruth!"

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**WHAT'S ON**

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**SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

ALL ARE INVITED to attend Communist Party membership meeting Philadelphia: "Teheran and America." Speakers: Dr. Max Eastman, author of film "The Teheran Conference"; 210 Locust St., Philadelphia, 8 P.M. Sunday, March 11th. Admission free.

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## Literary Lookout

**W**HAT goes on here, anyway?—? A few days ago, one of my home town papers, the Philadelphia Bulletin, carried a special cable from its correspondent in Algiers which read as follows:

"Thornton Wilder, American novelist and playwright, who is serving here as a major in the Army Air Force, is conducting a one-man relief campaign for the benefit of Gertrude Stein, poet."

Miss Stein was caught by the German invasion, while living in the Alamein Department of France. She is reported to be destitute, her life dependent upon such French peasants as may be willing to spare food for her.

"Major Wilder, who regards Miss Stein as a genius, is saving all his Army pay for her. While he has no means of reaching her now, he hopes she will get into France in time to save the aging writer."

A day or two after this dispatch appeared, one of the New York gossip columns had the following squib:

"Gertrude Stein's latest double-talk opus, published in Paris, is causing the Nazis no end of grief on account of their inability to 'decode' it."

Now, the point is, if Gertrude is destitute and starving, if the Nazis are so cruel to her as all that, how come they permit her to publish a book in Nazi-occupied Paris? For it goes without saying that no book, or anything else save underground material, is published there without their consent.

There is something wrong somewhere. It's all cockeyed.

Personally, it has been my opinion from the start that Miss Stein was in effect collaborating with the Hitlerites. Otherwise, would she, an American and hence an enemy, be permitted to ram around the countryside sponging on the peasants? How is it that she is not, like other Americans in the

Can Miss Stein's Publisher Tell Us What It's All About?

same predicament, behind the barbed wire of a concentration camp? It simply doesn't make sense.

It will be recalled that, some while back, Miss Stein's American publisher, Mr. Bennett Cerf of Random House, announced that he had received from her the manuscript of a new book, supposedly smuggled out of France by way of Sweden. I remarked at the time that this had a phony ring to me.

As for Major Wilder and his great compassion; it leaves me somehow, strangely unmoved. I just cannot find any tears to shed. I keep remembering how "bored" Miss Stein was by the plight of the women and children of Barcelona and Madrid who were falling bombs. And so, the picture of her sharing a peasant's crust of bread while the beweedled Gestapo pursued her latest literary effusion, which they have kindly allowed her to publish—

Oh, for heaven's sake, let's hold on to our common sense, at least. This is but a sample of the sort of thing we may expect in the days to come, when our soft-hearted aesthetes begin lamenting the fate of the traitor Ezra Pound and others of his kind. We may expect to be told that they are "not fascists at heart" and to have our withers wrung by tales of the "sufferings" they have endured.

Sufferings in what cause? For their country's sake, as it battled for its very life against the arch-enemy of mankind? Or was it for love of Hitler and Mussolini and out of hatred for democracy? Did they, perhaps, gamble on the wrong horse, and are we to feel sorry for them because they lost?

One thing is certain: royal and self-respecting American readers want no part of them from this day forth. They have said all that they have to say to us. They have said enough, and more than enough. They are to us as the dead of forgotten yesterday, as the dim and wandering ghosts of a ghostrust.

Meanwhile, out of respect to the great American reading public, possibly Miss Stein's publisher will do a little explaining?

## Musicians Will Pay Tribute to Fats Waller

By Jane Seymour

Carnegie Hall, dignified home of symphony orchestras, will reverberate with a new tempo on Sunday evening, April 2, when by arrangement of American Youth for Democracy, the friends of the late Thomas (Fats) Waller will put into music their tribute to a sweet guy and a great artist.

Several weeks ago, the Nazi DNEA

agency accused America of attempting by armed force to invade Europe with the music of Fats Waller. Unwittingly, the Nazis were paying the supreme tribute to the genius of a great Negro artist and the essentially democratic nature of a profoundly American art form.

Fats Waller is dead, but his musical contributions haunt the defenders of an "organized" culture. For jazz is the consummate expression of democracy in music. Originating in New Orleans, it owed its birth to the Negro slave who brought with him in the slave ship the beat, the rhythm that fused with the music of the white man to become what we now call jazz music. The southern musician rubbed shoulders with the Negro musician, played with him, learned from him, adopted his sense of rhythm and style. This musical association flowered and became a characteristic of hot music, uniting composers, musicians and audiences in their enthusiastic collaboration. Today, jazz is America's most popular musical form. Millions collect records, tune in their favorite bands on the radio, see and hear them in the movies, crowd night clubs and honky-tonks, gather around juke

boxes. Negro and white—they come together, play together and listen together.

**Waller Was A Jazz Idol**

High up on the roster of America's jazz idols was Thomas (Fats) Waller who for more than a quarter of a century practiced his art as composer, pianist and organist. At the age of ten he was already studying piano under Carl Bohm and Leopold Stokowski. His father was assistant pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem and had his heart set on having young Thomas become a clergymen. Fats, as he was endearingly named by his friends, played the church organ, but he couldn't keep the seat out of his playing. Before he was fourteen, he was playing the piano in a Harlem theatre. At twenty-one he made his debut with his own band and was soon making records and making guest appearances on radio shows. In 1938 and 1939, Fats toured Europe and Great Britain where he was a sensation. He believed to be the only jazz musician ever to have played the organ in Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. When he returned from his triumphant trip abroad, he appeared at Carnegie Hall in a piano and organ concert.

Fats was a big man physically—260 pounds and 5 feet 11 inches. His favorite occupations were eating and playing the piano.

There was nothing half-way about him. He was a two-handed player



THOMAS "FATS" WALLER

and he set his 260 pounds solidly on the keys, producing plenty of power and rhythm. But that wasn't all—he was a master melody creator. His friend and collaborator, Andy Razaf, described this gift vividly: "Keepin' Out of Mischief Now," "Slightly Less Than Wonderful," "I've Got A Feelin' I'm Fallin'," "If It Ain't Love," "Concentrate On You," "Squeeze Me" and "Feets Too Big."

Well, Fats is with us no more. At the age of 39, he ended his career on December 15th last, dying at the

height of his fame aboard a train as a result of a heart attack. He had just ventured forth for the first time into solo composition of a full-length musical score for the Broadway hit, "Early to Bed." He died, mourned by his countless friends and the millions who knew and loved him through his work.

### Concert to Honor Fats Waller

American Youth for Democracy, most of whose members are ardent devotees of hot music, has arranged an impressive "Salute to Fats Waller" concert to take place at Carnegie Hall on Sunday evening, April 2nd. Count Basie, Waller's intimate friend, heads a long list of sponsors that includes Fats' manager, Ed Kirkey, his lyric writer, Andy Razaf, the members of his band, Gene Buck, president of ASCAP, Leopold Stokowski, Deems Taylor, Paul Whiteman, Jimmy Durante, Langston Hughes and many others.

The program for the concert continues to grow daily until it begins to look like a "Who's Who" of the entertainment world. At this writing, it includes Count Basie and his orchestra, Teddy Wilson and his orchestra, the Al Casey trio, Paul Draper, Billie Holiday, the Hazel Scott, Mary Small, Eddie Condon, Pee Wee Russell, Max Merrick, Art Hodes, Sidney Catlett, Pops and Louie, Mary Lou Williams, Josh White, Howard da Silva . . . and lots more!

The advance notices of the concert that have appeared in the music and drama columns of New York and New Jersey newspapers have already started a brisk ticket sale and it looks like a quick sell-out. Tickets may be purchased at the Carnegie Hall Box Office and at American Youth for Democracy, 13 Astor Place, New York City.

## "DAILY" SPORTS

### LIU, at Peak, Deserves Invitation Turney Berth

By Mike Singer

Long Island University's last-second spectacular 48-47 win over a sloppy but rugged Cornell five Wednesday night at the Garden should eke it into the National Invitation Turney. The Blackbirds have the best won and lost record of any metropolitan club, thus far, with thirteen and three—even though on their showing against a poor Ivy League club Coach Red Wolfe's boys didn't add much lustre to their season.

Nevertheless, LIU is finishing the season in high gear, topping a high scoring Rhode Island team 99-98 and then rolling over W & J, Brooklyn and Cornell, with only the tough Canisius squad on the wrong side of the ledger in their last five games.

Cornell had no business Wednesday night making it as close as they did—and until the last second when Alvin Rubinstein retrieved a loose ball under the basket in the melee and dramatically popped it backward over his head, the game was in for the big Red squad from Ithaca. LIU led at the half 27-19 and with brilliant Eddie Younger, Negro ace for LIU pacing the scoring, playmaking and defense, it looked pretty hopeless for the visitors. But the Cornell squad came to life in the second frame and led by big Nat Millitzek, Roger Bob Gale, Negro floor ace for LIU pacing the scoring, playmaking and defense, it looked pretty hopeless for the visitors. But the Cornell squad came to life in the second frame and led by big Nat Millitzek, Roger Bob Gale, Negro floor ace for LIU pacing the

sounding to end the game. New York University by easily walloping Oklahoma 53-47 showed that it is ready to hand CCNY a real shellacking. In trouncing a Sooner five that played a deliberate slow-passing, set up style of game, the Violets exhibited stellar all-around basketball. Sid Tannenbaum, recently recovered from the flu, was the big gun on the offense with 19 points. In the second half, switching to Oklahoma's crippled but rampaging Bob Payne, he completely scotched the Sooner ace who had scored 13 points in the first half.

The Violets were fast and smooth, driving inside the Sooner's tight defense when the chips were down. Except for Payne the Big Six champion found the Violet too stubborn inside the foul line, most of their 47 points being scored from outside the circle.

It was the LIU-Cornell game, however, that provided the 16,243 fans with color, drama, excitement and last-second action—and a Billy Rose touch besides. The latter was supplied by a peppy bunch of sweetlookers from Andrew Jackson High who came out with some snappy chorus antics to cheer for the Jackson alumnus doing their best for Cornell.

But you win by tossing in points and that's what Younger, without a popping thriller as the buzzer

But that's one strategy.

### Now If Beau Follows Our Advice He Should Win Tonight

N. A. T. L. O. W.

If you were in Beau Jack's corner tonight as his manager and trainer and had full powers to plan his strategy, how would you have him fight Bob Montgomery?

This is their third meeting for the lightweight title. Bob took the first one. Beau came back and won the second and now the two are all set to go at it again.

Well, how would you have Beau fight Monty?

You'd have to keep in mind everything which has taken place since the two first met. You'd have to take into account the one-round knockout Monty suffered two weeks ago at the hands of St. Bumby and you'd have to take into account the fact that Monty has always been an in-and-outter and that he figures to be in to-night after a bad licking.

So let's start masterminding now.

### Go Out and Slug?

Would you send Beau out to slug Monty at the bell, hoping to take advantage of that Davis knockout which must have burned deeply into Monty's mind and possibly made him question his ability to take a solid rap on the chin?

It wouldn't be hard for Beau to do just that for he has always been the furious type of free-swinger who loves nothing more than to tear out after a foot and belt him with swishing right uppercuts and stabbing, lightning fast lefts.

But there is no guarantee that Bob will be caught again as St. Bumby caught him that night two weeks ago. In fact, I'd be inclined to believe that Monty would welcome just such an attack and would be wholly prepared to launch a little blitz of his own which could do plenty of damage, especially to one like Beau who has never been famous for a Corbett-like boxing skill.

Besides, this is a 15-round bout and in a battle which is scheduled for such length one must be able to pace oneself carefully. In his first fight Beau went all out too early and had little left at the end. In their second meeting he reversed his strategy and started fairly slowly, upping the pace slightly with each round and finishing very strong.

That's one strategy.

### Start Slow and Pour It On?

Then there is the opposite strategy of starting at a deliberately slow pace in order to lull Monty into a false sense of security, then suddenly opening the throttle and going all-out, say, in the seventh or eighth round and continuing the pressure until Monty wits.

There are a lot of arguments for this plan of action but this too has its pitfalls. For one thing, you can't let Monty get off to a lead in those early rounds for he'll be a grim fighter tonight and may call upon reserves of energy in those late rounds which could possibly upset all well-laid plans. Another thing to consider is the fact that Monty, always a slow starter, figures to be much tougher in those later rounds and will have warmed up to the job considerably, making Beau's task even more difficult.

### How About Mixture of Two?

Just how would you have Beau fight then?

It seems to us that a combination of the two strategies might do the trick.

Perhaps a terrifically fast start in the first two rounds, swarming all over Monty hoping to repeat the Davis stunt. Then, if this fails, a carefully slowing down in the middle rounds until the eighth or ninth heat when you start to apply the pressure once again.

I admit it's easy to mastermind. Especially when you don't have to get into that ring and carry out those decisions of yours.

I do feel, however, that Beau may fight an alternating battle in which he will go fast, then slow, then fast again. It seems his best bet. I would certainly try to take advantage of that one-round knockout as it undoubtedly that kayo did shake up Bob considerably and he may be slightly gun-shy in the early minutes.

But I wouldn't bank on that too much, for such a knockout as Monty suffered is strictly a once-in-a-lifetime affair for a good fighter like Bob and it will be a miracle for anything like that to take place again.

### Beau Too Strong—Should Win

The overall picture reveals a young and incredibly strong Beau Jack fighting a veteran who has traversed a rocky and uneven road. A few weeks ago, especially after he had knocked out promising Ike Williams, it seemed as if Monty had reached the peak of his ability.

But then along came that Bumby affair.

I like Beau to win tonight. For one thing, he's faster, stronger, can hit harder and has grasped at least the elements of pacing and boxing.

He doesn't throw away as many punches as he used to and can hit a cleaner blow than he did a year ago. I have little doubt that he can win tonight—but boxing being what it is and Monty fighting his heart out, anything can happen.

And come to think of it—ain't we the guy who has picked four losers one right after the other?

### Only 3 Real Favorites In IC4A Meet Tomorrow

Of all the track and field tests that will be conducted in the 23rd annual Intercollegiate AAAA championships at Madison Square Garden tomorrow only three boast strong favorites. The eleven other events are rated toss-ups among two or more contenders, not including the IC4A team championship over which Army and Navy will wrangle for their first triumph.

The solid favorites are (1) Gilbert Dadds in the special mile where he will go all out for his fifth straight victory in another record try against Bill Huise, Ensign Ollie Hunter, Les Eisenhart and Frank Martin, the young Notre Dame miler; (2) Don Burnham, of Dartmouth, defending his IC4A mile crown against rivals from 17 colleges, led by Rudy Simms NYU freshman, and Dick Hall Princeton V-12 freshman, and (3) Eddie Conwell, bullet-starting NYU sprinter and new national champion, who will defend his IC4A 60-yard title against speed rivals from seventeen colleges.

The 800-yard race will be a strong field. Emil Von Elling, NYU coach, liked Herbert McKenley, of CCNY, Egon Werdelman of Dartmouth, John Baumann of Columbia and Alex Jordan of NYU. Jim Miller of North Carolina may be a darkhorse.

The IC4A mile relay, which has produced more memorable races than any other relay decided on boards, brings together the best-matched field Bushnell has ever had, even though the foursomes are a second a man slower than in previous years. The contenders are Army, 3:26; Columbia, 3:27.6; Tufts, 3:28; Navy, 3:28 or better; Rochester, 3:28; Dartmouth, 3:29.7; Princeton, 3:30.2.

The 1000-yard race and two-mile tosups. In the 1000, the top con-

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## Blocking the Way



## A Fake 'Compromise'

THE "compromise" soldier vote bill agreed to in conference is no compromise at all. It is an abject surrender to those who want to disfranchise the soldiers in November.

The bill was bad enough as agreed to on Tuesday. On Wednesday the Senate and House conferees approved two more amendments which make the bill a slap in the face to the men and women of the armed forces.

As the bill stands now, very few in the services would be able to vote at all. The measure provides that each governor has the authority to decide whether to permit federal ballots. In addition, the federal ballot will be available only for men overseas. And they will get it only where they go through the preposterous procedure of swearing that they have applied for a state ballot by Sept. 1 and not received one by Oct. 1. If anything was left undone to make it almost impossible for the men to vote, we don't know what it is.

Meanwhile, the Republicans are probably congratulating one another on their latest maneuver. They are counting on this conference "non-partisan" bill to whitewash them of the crime of robbing the soldiers of the vote.

While the poll-taxers oppose a federal soldier vote bill in order to preserve their despicable poll tax, the GOP opposes the soldier vote simply to steal the election.

If Republicans can get away with the conference bill and palm it off as a joint Democratic-Republican creation, they will have gone a long way in this scheme to rob the ballot box.

But the GOP must not be permitted to get away with it.

The whole country should be made aware of how the Republican Party is double-crossing the soldiers. For every soldier who may be disfranchised in November, two additional voters should vent their anger upon the GOP at the polls.

Meanwhile the Senate should be called on to reject the conference report and to stand by the Green-Lucas bill. And let the people insist that the House retreat from its outrageous stand and make the Green-Lucas measure a law.

There can be no honest election in November unless the soldiers vote!

## The Negro Trend

IF THE Republicans have only the results of the by-election in the 21st Congressional District upon which to base their fond predictions of an anti-FDR trend among the Negro people, then they are leaning on a mighty slender reed.

It is true that the two predominantly Negro districts, the 19th and 21st, voted Republican by slim majorities. But the combined vote in these districts was just about 4,000. In 1942, more than 25,000 voted for Congress in these two districts. And in the elections of 1940, over 65,000 cast ballots for President Roosevelt, more than 16 times as many as last Tuesday.

It requires considerable imagination to establish a "trend" with that tiny proportion of the electorate as a sample. As a matter of fact, with all its intensive campaigning, the GOP was able to pull out just 400 votes in the 19th, compared with 5,300 who voted Republican in 1940. And we wouldn't guarantee that a single one of these 400 was a Negro since there are considerably more than

that many whites in the district. That doesn't look to us like a GOP demonstration by any means.

If the political dopesters are really looking for a trend among the Negro people, we refer them to the blistering attack upon the GOP alliance with the poll-tax tories made by a gathering of Negro Republican leaders recently. We call their attention to the statement of a united Democratic Negro leadership in support of the President.

Yes, there is a trend among the Negro people and it is not the one so glibly "established" by Republican fractional mathematics. It is a militant demand for progressive, democratic, patriotic leadership which is the exact opposite of that furnished by the GOP.

One may ask why the Negro people did not come out to vote Tuesday. The answer lies in the failure of the local Democratic leadership to realize that people vote for men and issues today, not for political machines. Thus, it picked a candidate whose sole distinction is that he is a cog in the machine. He has no record either as an officeholder or as participant in people's movements. Neither he nor his party made any effort to bring the issues before the people.

Labor made a rather belated effort to do this. But, as Mayor LaGuardia said some days ago, labor has to be more alert and aggressive in influencing choice of candidates if it is to carry out its independent political function.

## The Albany Outrages

SPECIAL PROSECUTOR GEORGE P. MONAGHAN, shouting "It's an outright lie!" says, nevertheless, that he will investigate charges of Gestapo brutality against his police. The charges are made in an affidavit by John H. (Sonny) Jones, 52-year-old Negro laborer, but it is this victim, not the assailants, whom Monaghan vows to investigate. He intends to find out, he declares, from what source Jones' charges originated.

The affidavit itself seems to provide that information. It swears that Governor Dewey's special prosecutor (allegedly delving into Albany Democratic politics) beat, choked and kicked him, climaxing the torture by dangling him, head down, from a 29th floor window of the State Office Building in Albany. The affidavit is backed by a physician's letter declaring Jones to be "disabled indefinitely," owing to a "highly nervous" and an impaired physical condition.

What more does the special prosecutor want?

One would judge from investigations by Assemblymen Hulan A. Jack and Daniel E. Burrows, Negro Democrats of New York City, that the special prosecutor wants to terrorize the Negro people into giving the kind of testimony Governor Dewey has presumably ordered him to get. That testimony evidently is wanted by the Governor to use against a rival political machine. The Negro voters of Albany, being, in the main, poor and defenseless, are victims in a brutal crossfire.

Assemblymen Jack and Burrows say they intend to find out who instigated Jones' torture and who executed it. They will have the all-out support of every hater of Hitlerism and its Gestapo. The people, in the meantime, demand of Governor Dewey a complete explanation of the whole shameful business. It is his responsibility.

## The Proposed C. P. Changes

"What has happened, then, to the contradictions of capitalism? If suddenly the best monopoly capitalists (contradiction in terms!) are going to work happily together? Are they? Does that mean that we ACCEPT cartels?" (This is the third of seven questions asked by "One Who Thought That Communists March Breast Forward.")

By Robert Minor

The most important contradictions of capitalism are:

1. The antagonism between labor and capital. We have already dealt with this in the Daily Worker of Feb. 23 and 24. We showed that class struggle is inherent in capitalism itself, that in the capitalist system it is "the immediate driving force of history," and cannot be abolished, whether you wish to or not, as long as capitalism exists.

The full force of the labor movement is being and will be thrown into the struggle for the war and victory in a deliberate alliance with all other forces of the nation, subordinating all other antagonisms to the one consideration of the victory.

The Nazi government depends upon "playing up the contradictions between classes," as Stalin expresses it, within the democratic countries.

In general, what has happened is the establishment of the certainty that when the Japanese structure is knocked to ruins in Asia, it will no longer be possible for any imperialist power to enforce any of its claims in Asia by making war in any part of Asia.

This alone is one of the great events of history, affecting not only the Asiatic half of the population of the world that has lived from half a century to two centuries in colonial enslavement, but the whole of mankind.

That is what has "happened" to this contradiction. Are you for it or against it? Everyone must decide his position courageously on this point because it is in practical effect his choice as to which side he is on in the biggest struggle mankind has ever known. The position taken by labor is in the supreme and permanent interest of the most permanent class in modern society, the working class, while at the same time it coincides with the interests of all other classes that wish to preserve the nation. This is a national war.

2. The antagonism between the various financial groups and imperialist powers in their struggle for sources of raw materials, for foreign territories, for the redistribution of the world.

The inevitability of its leading to war was proven by the war of 1914, and again by the war of 1939. It led to war.

And we would be men blinded with narrow dogmatism, repeating empty abstractions, if we did not see that this antagonism, expressed in war, has brought about a result, as all action brings results. The result it brought it—a changed situation.

The treaty of Munich was written and the Czechoslovak people delivered to slavery and death by the Chamberlain and Daladier governments of England and France, with the aim of what Hitler calls assuring the "hegemony" of "the European family of nations represented by the strongest state among it" against "the Bolshevik colossus."

The Poland of Colonel Beck was laid naked to the sword of Hitler through the exploitation of the class fears and class prejudices against the socialist state; Rumania was developed into a bawdy house of Nazi political corruption; Finland was converted almost into a bleeding corpse to serve its own conquest by Hitler; France, only lately the greatest military power on earth, was led to break her alliance with Soviet Russia and to disrupt her national unity, and to was

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You must understand this, or you will fail to see the same corrupting forces working now, especially through the most reactionary press, the Hearst and the "social-democratic" press, and in all labor and Labor Party circles, in a frenzied baiting of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

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5. The next question, to be answered in Monday's Daily Worker, is: "4. My readings of economic interpretations of the last 10 years led me to the belief that monopoly capitalism brought in fascism, because it couldn't solve the crisis any other way. That fascism was an attempt to keep monopoly capitalism in the saddle. Why then did we let it down with it?"

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because it fails to differentiate between "unimpeachable liberalism" and "veteran Communism." I am 100 per cent against the Dies Committee; but I will say, as I have always said—a good liberal is nothing but a left-handed socialist, and a good socialist is nothing but a cross-eyed Communist. The sooner good liberals and good socialists get their number and classify themselves in the proper column, the better it will be for all of us.

Most Communist leaders were, at one time, good socialists, and you see what happened to them, when they got their vision straightened out. Probatam est!

V. V.

More Stories About the Russians

Riversville, W. Va.

Editor, Daily Worker:

PM attacks the Dies Committee

Due to the need of carrying Robert Minor's complete answer today, Adam Lapin's regular column, They're Saying in Washington, is omitted from today's issue. It will be carried in tomorrow's issue.

More Stories About the Russians

Riversville, W. Va.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am a student of Riversville High School, Riversville, W. Va. I have subscribed for the Daily Worker and The Worker because I enjoyed reading it very much. I mostly enjoyed reading short stories about

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## Change the World

By MIKE GOLD

THAT eminent physician, Dr. Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, has a favorite prescription she hands out to patients suffering from dull eyes, congested brains and other symptoms of the ailment known as New Yorkitis.

"Take the first ferryboat across the Hudson," she advises, "and tour America and meet the people. This is always good for the deskbound. It cures the fidgets of too much paper work."

So, commencing next week your correspondent plans to visit some of the main centers of industry and high blood pressure in the south and middle west. He will not say a word, or write one, but just turn into an eye and ear.

In this escapism? No, it is charging the battery. A writer and speaker who gives out all the time inevitably gets a little thin.

Sometimes, too, it is almost impossible to get a feel of a period merely from books, speeches, radio or newspapers.

You have to go out and absorb at first-hand for yourself. In this big country, the United States, the various sections are like different nations. They need to be studied as if one were a foreigner.

And this is a time of terrific decision in America. The copperheads are on the offensive, and threaten us with some kind of fascist coup, legal or illegal. We are approaching a great national crisis. My hunch is that the American people are unprepared for it, and the fascists plan to pull off their crime while the people sleep.

But the fascists may meet their doom by waxing too bold. Every nation has its own boiling point. It is hard to discover except in a great national crisis.

Anyway, the elections will decide. One needs to see America on the verge of the great decisions. Hasta la vista! Au revoir! See you next month along the subway circuit somewhere between Brownsville and the Bronx!

A protest arrived from Murray Winocur, district organizer of the CIO marine radio men. Brother Murray says they are sore because I did not mention them in the column about Paddy Whelan.

This letter makes a nice bon voyage gift since it just fills out a column, so here goes:

Dear Mike:

To say that I am gratified after reading your column in yesterday's Daily is putting it mildly. Sixteen years ago, after making my first trip at sea, I learned that seamen have few friends and many enemies in the newspaper world. On that short list of friends, Mike, you have always been top; and that's why I think you will understand our disappointment at the errors and shortcomings of yesterday's column.

First, your facts are incorrect. A Liberty ship HAS been named after a seaman; the S.S. LAWRENCE GIANELLA. Larry was a radioman who stuck to his post and sent out distress calls to warn other ships and seamen, even though he had been ordered to abandon ship after it had been struck by a torpedo.

Second, you write of seamen who "have brought immortal honor to their flag, their nation and their families, the NMU." Well, we radiomen who sail the Liberties, together with our shipmates, the NMU seamen, certainly agree with that, because we know better than anybody else ashore just what NMU seamen are made of.

It's this way, Mike—there is the M.M. & P., the union for Deck Officers—the MEBA, the union for Engine Officers—the MPOW, the union for engine department seamen on the West Coast—the M.C. & S., the union for stewards' department seamen on the West Coast—and the Marine Department of the American Communications Association, CIO, the only nationwide union for marine radio officers.

As a matter of fact, if you will check your facts carefully, you may find that Paddy Whelan was a member of the MEBA when his ship went down. I would not be a bit surprised to learn that Paddy respected jurisdictional principles in the labor movement, because all of his shipmates know how he fought for principles. But we do endorse and support your proposal that a Liberty be named after Paddy.

Our country has forty-eight states; it has three coasts and many seamen's unions, even though the NMU is the largest. And NMU seamen would be among the first to agree that you should tell the entire story, give the Daily readers the entire score, when you write about seamen. Marine radiomen are of the opinion also, that all seamen deserve an occasional spot in the Daily. Who else tops the list of our friends, Mike? If not the Daily, then who will? Give us a break, while we keep 'em sailing!!!

For Victory,  
(Signed) MURRAY WINOCUR,  
District Organizer, Marine Dept.,  
American Communications Assn., CIO

5 Years Ago Today  
In the Daily Worker

MARCH 3, 1939

MOSCOW—The sad notes of Frederick Chopin's "Funeral March" and the vigorous hymns of the socialist victory, the "Internationale," echoed across Red Square today as Joseph Stalin and other Soviet leaders laid the ashes of Nadezhda Krupskaya, beloved woman Bolshevik leader, to rest in the ancient Kremlin wall.

Krupskaya was buried near the marble mausoleum in which lies her comrade in battle and life, her husband Vladimir Ilyich Lenin.

WASHINGTON—Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes disclosed today that he had protested to the Daughters of the American Revolution over their refusal to permit Marian Anderson, Negro contralto, to sing in Constitution Hall here.

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